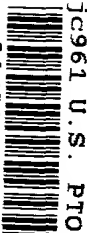


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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37  
CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. SMIO.0100002 Total Pages 75  
First Inventor or Application Identifier Schwartz, et al.  
Title METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR FACILITATING MEDIATED  
COMMUNICATION  
Express Mail Label No. EK855711090US

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application  
contents.

## ADDRESS TO:

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form  
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Specification Total Pages 48  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawings (35 USC 113) Total Sheets 19
4. Oath or Declaration Total Pages 2
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application  
(37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)
  - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting  
inventor(s) named in the prior application,  
see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

6. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence  
Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
  - b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
  - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
9. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
10. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 IDS Citations
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
13. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27  
☐ Statement filed in Prior Application,  
Status still proper and desired.
14. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
15. ☒ Request & Certification Under 35 U.S.C.  
122(b)(2)(B)(i)
16. ☐ Other

## 16. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	710	Utility filing fee	355.00
106	320	Design filing fee	
107	490	Plant filing fee	
108	710	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	Provisional filing fee	

**SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 355.00**

### 2. CLAIMS

Claims	Extra	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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Multiple Dep.			

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee Description
103	18	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	Multiple dependent claim
109	80	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

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105	130	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet.	
139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	Design issue fee	
144	600	Plant issue fee	
122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146	710	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
149	710	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
Other fee (specify)			
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Schwartz, et al.

Examiner:

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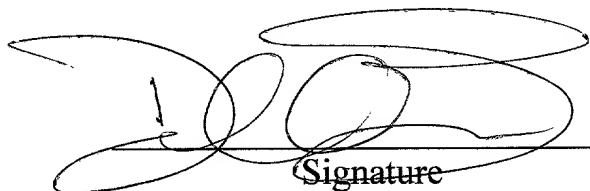


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	Atty Docket Number	SMIO.0100002

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. However, the Applicant retains the option to rescind this request at any time. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b).

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Date

  
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